

Title (en)

CO-CONTINUOUS BLEND OF A FLUOROPOLYMER AND A THERMOPLASTIC AND METHOD

Title (de)

CO-KONTINUIERLICHE MISCHUNG EINES FLUORPOLYMERS MIT EINEM THERMOPLASTEN SOWIE VERFAHREN

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MELANGE CO-CONTINU D'UN POLYMERE FLUORE ET D'UN THERMOPLASTIQUE ET PROCEDE

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